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Mysuru, Saturday 10th August 2019

Ennobling Engineers

The country witnessed a rise in the number of IITs (Indian Institute of Technology) a few years ago not too long past while the *conventional* engineering colleges downed their shutters, an event that didn't lead to informed debates in the circles of stakeholders for engineering education. Karnataka was conspicuous on both counts, namely IIT in the list didn't figure in its radar and managements of engineering colleges that closed seem to have taken the dramatic change in their strides. Although the acronym IIT enjoyed an exalted status from the days of the establishment of first five institutions as symbol of excellence in technical education in India, their later cohorts, ten of them seem to be bestowed the same rating that the earlier institutions earned. The fact that nearly eighty per cent of the graduates trained in the older IITs left the shores of their motherland in pursuit of higher studies and guaranteed jobs with attractive pay packets abroad, particularly in Europe and America contributed to their global image. That may not have spurred the alumni of the later IITs to take up the task of ennobling their alma mater. That apart, the graduates of most engineering colleges ended as a neglected mass of technically qualified workforce, majority of them either unemployed or under employed. Their numbers only reflect what the nation spent on their education apart from trauma to their parents.

The imposing monuments, temples hosting amazing sculptures that have stood the vagaries of harsh weather for centuries, bridges and roads of several decades vintage and even dwellings dating back to more than two hundred years that are still in good repair, despite inept maintenance by later generations of people and administrations should trigger thoughts on the magical skills of the country's past generations and how they acquired them.

The factor of medium of instruction, particularly at school stage, occasionally figures in newspaper articles and speeches of littérateurs from various platforms, those with standing in society prescribing *mother-tongue* as the preferred means for better learning. Their strong verdict has not been extended to technical education at either undergraduate or graduate levels. Not only the medium of instruction in engineering colleges across the country is English, but also both the curriculum and text books are marked by material from the West to a major extent. Those who are in the know of the quality of training the youth in various branches of engineering may be able to explain the yawning gap that separates the engineering graduates from what they ought to be as a workforce with skills of high expectations in the field.

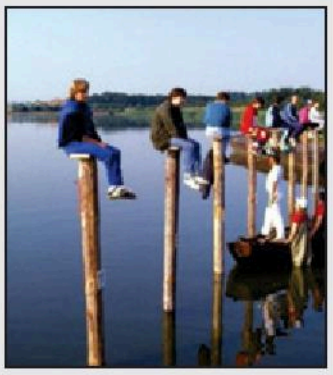
Short-comings in the competence of engineering graduates at large have been amply brought out by seasoned entrepreneurs in various industries of the country. Their observations point to the importance of training engineers to address the challenges in their work environment and grab the opportunities to apply their skills including clear perception of related domains raising their level of versatility. In short, both engineering education and competence of trained engineers need ennobling.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

BEING CAUTIOUS: ***Outside Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman's Office in North Block, you can now see a row of small lockers. Visitors who meet her are expected to deposit their mobile phones and other electronic devices in one of those lockers and take the keys with them. Once the meeting with the FM is over, they must retrieve their belongings and leave the keys in the lockers for the next person.*** *— In Business Standard*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Sitting on a pole for hours is a competitive sport



Rotterdam: Dutch sport of Paalzitten or Pole Sitting, sees competitors literally sitting on wooden poles for hours, until they surrender to either numbness or boredom.

No one knows exactly how Paalzitten came to be, but some sources claim that it originated in the Dutch province of Friesland, where locals tried to stave boredom by inventing sports that involved objects used in daily life, like wooden poles.

It's not clear exactly why someone thought sitting on a wooden pole just waiting for the other guys to descend first was an antidote to boredom, but somehow the sport of Paalzitten caught on and despite almost going extinct at one point, it's still occasionally practiced in the Netherlands.

World's first hot-dog-flavored ice cream sandwich

New York: American processed meat giant Oscar Mayer has announced the launch of a hot-dog-flavored ice cream sandwich.

Made up of sweet hot-dog cream, candied hot-dog bits, and spicy Dijon mustard gelato, all squeezed between two soft cookie buns, the upcoming treat is advertised as the best way to enjoy a hot-dog in ice cream form.

It's not clear if this is just a one-time marketing stunt or a permanent addition to the Oscar Mayer family of products, but one thing is for sure, hot-dog ice cream sandwich is a real thing. Oscar Mayer's Ice Dog Sandwich follows another announcement from condiment producer French's, which recently announced a tub of mustard-flavored ice cream as its own original summer product.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How common is dementia?

Approximately 47 million people globally are living with dementia. 1 in 10 people over age 65 has Alzheimer's. As baby boomers move into their 70s, dementia has reached epidemic proportions, with numbers expected to double in 15 years.

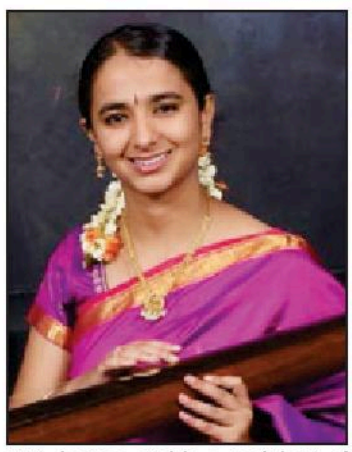
** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Vocal concert at Nadabrahma by Madhuri Kaushik on Aug.12

Mysuru, Aug. 10- Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha is organising a Karnatak music concert by Vidushi Madhuri Kaushik on Aug. 12 at 6 pm at its Vasudevacharya Bhavan on JLB Road.

She will be accompanied on the violin by Vidwan Vaibhav Ramani, on mridanga by Vidwan B.S. Prashanth and on ghata by Vidwan Vikram Bharadwaj.

Profile: Madhuri Kaushik started learning under Vidushi Rohini Manjunath and Vidushi Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar. Currently she is under the tutelage of Vidushi Ranjani and Vidushi Gayatri.



Madhuri holds a Karnatak Vidwat degree and is a recipient of the CCRT Scholarship. She has performed in many esteemed sabhas and before the great stalwarts of Karnatak music.

CESC public grievances meet at Nanjangud on Aug. 14

Nanjangud, Aug.10- CESC (Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Company), Nanjangud Division, will be conducting a public grievances meet of power consumers coming under Nanjangud Sub-Division - 1 (11 am) and Nanjangud Sub-Division - 2 (1 pm) at CESC office, Nanjangud town on Aug.14.

The members of the public are appealed to attend the meeting and air their grievances concerning electricity issues. For details, call Ph: 08221-225544, according to a release.

Really...?

- ***The spider-goats at Utah State University have adorable names such as "Pudding," "Sweetie," and "Freckles." They are reared for their milk which contains spider-silk protein. After separating the silk protein from the milk, it is turned into powder which is processed and spun into silk fibre.***
- ***The silk produced by the spider-goats has been used to create various objects, but the most innovative one is bullet-proof skin. Even though the skin is not as impregnable as a Type-1 bullet-proof vest, but it can stop a bullet fired at a reduced speed. The genetically modified skin was displayed in 2011-2012 in a museum in the Netherlands.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Husband returns from office and is dumbstruck as the house was neat. He asks his wife: "Darling, was WhatsApp server down today?" Wife: "No, I lost my phone charger and I had to put things in their place looking for it !!"

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Red Alert

Areas downstream in danger as KRS gates opened

Mysuru/ Kushalnagar, Aug.10 (Vinay Karekura&BCT)- The Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam has reached the 112 feet mark this morning and the Dam authorities have released 50,000 cusecs. Villagers living in downstream areas have been warned not to venture into the river as water will be in full force and sudden. A red alert has been issued.

A team of public announcers beating the drums (Dangura) have arrived in villages to warn the residents. Red alert has been sounded, cautioning villagers.

Speaking to *SOM* this morning, Vasudev, Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) of Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL) that manages KRS, said that the inflow to KRS stands at 1,30,000 cusecs as of now and is likely to increase to 1,70,000 cusecs by evening. "As of now, we have released 50,000 cusecs and the quantum will increase as and when the inflow increases," he said.

Though the maximum water level in the dam is 124.80 feet, it has been decided to release 50,000 cusecs of water today as the present inflow to the Dam has crossed one lakh mark following heavy rains in Kodagu. Downpour in the Cauvery catchment is continuing and the Dam authorities are expecting more inflow and the level is expected to reach the maximum in a day or two.

Last year, the Dam had reached its maximum capacity in July and thanks to delayed monsoon, this year it is yet to reach the maximum level. According to the orders issued by KRS AEE, 50,000 cusecs will be released per hour.

Following this development, drum-beating-announcers are spreading the word in villages along the downstream including Karekura, Palahalli, Belagola, Srirangapatna, Yenneholekoppalu and surrounding areas. The Revenue Department has taken the responsibility of informing the villagers of the danger.

Villagers have been warned not to venture into the river and prevent their livestock from drinking water from the river. The high alert will continue till the water release from the dam stops.

Transport services hit

Meanwhile, KSRTC transport service, the lifeline of the people in the region, has been hit hard. While the Saragur Road in H.D. Kote has been washed away at many places, water has covered the Nanjangud Road and several stretches inside Bandipur Tiger Reserve. River Cauvery has crossed beyond the danger mark in Kushalnagar and Koppa on Mysuru-Kodagu border following heavy outflow from Harangi Reservoir.

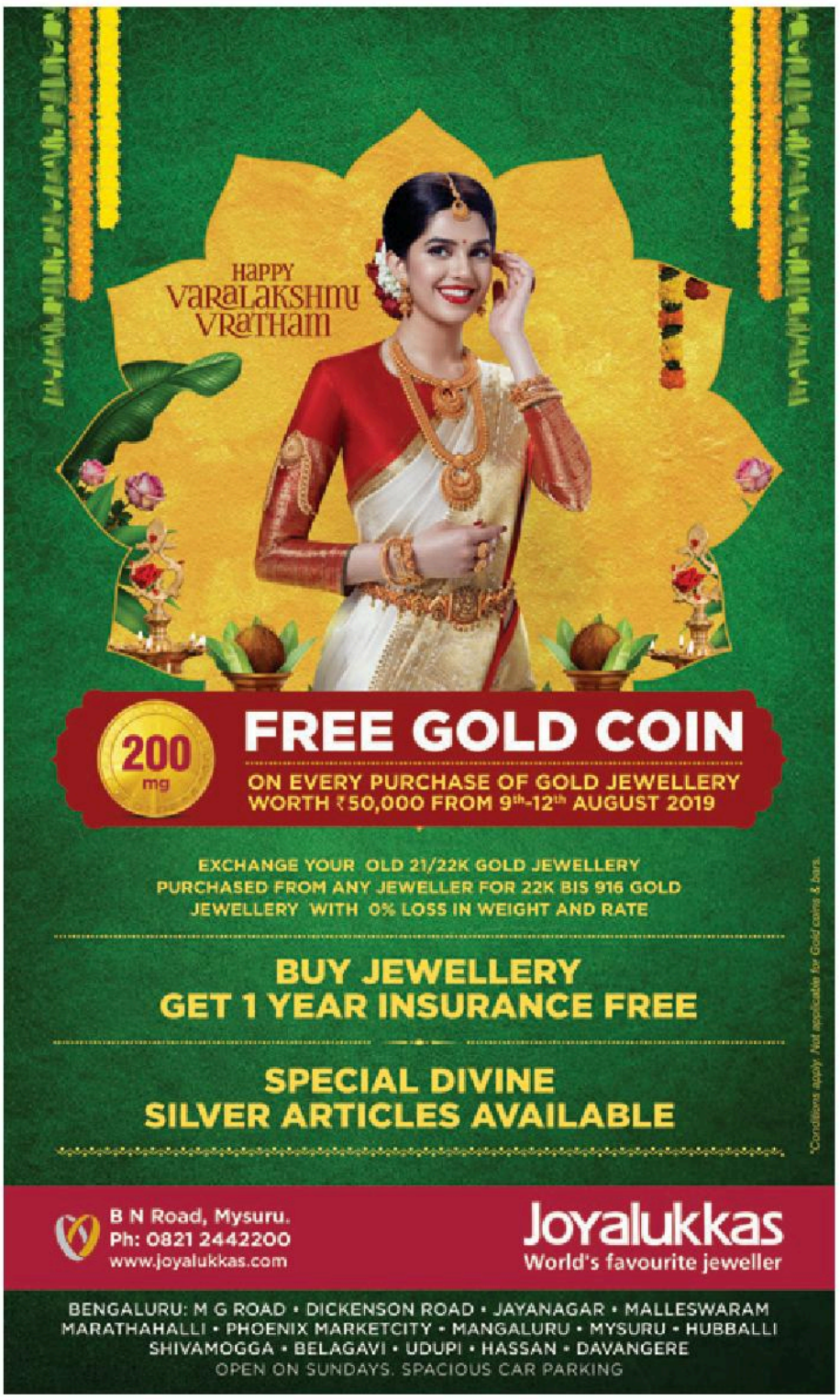
As a result, the KSRTC has suspended service to Mysuru-H.D. Kote, Mysuru-Madikeri (via Kushalnagar), Mysuru-Kerala and Mysuru-Ooty.

According to KSRTC Rural DC Manjunath, services have been suspended and will resume once the water clears. It will take some time for Saragur Road to be repaired, he added.

7 killed in Kodagu

So far, seven people have lost their lives in Kodagu and over eight persons are missing. 58 places in Kodagu have been marooned and landslides have occurred in 15 places. Latest reports from Kodagu say that 34 relief centres have been established and 2,866 people from 817 families have been accommodated in the centres.

(See RED ALERT on page 11)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NEWS BRIEFS

Nidhi Aapke Nikat

Nidhi Aapke Nikat, replacing Bhavishyanidhi Adalat, will be held at the Sub-Regional Office, EPF Organisation, Bhavishyanidhi Bhavan, Gayathripuram, on Aug.13 in the following time slots for different stakeholders of EPF Organisation: Subscribers: 10.30 am to 1 pm; Trade Unions and Employers Association: 10.30 am to 1 pm; Employers and Exempted Establishments: 3 pm to 4 pm, according to a press release.

Alumni Meet

MMK & SDM Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Krishnamurthypuram, has organised an alumni meet on Aug. 15 at 11 am in the College.

D.El.Ed results

Government Maharani's Teacher Training Institute has secured 100 per cent result in 2019-20 Diploma in Elementary Education (D.El.Ed). In the second year D.El.Ed exam, eight students got distinction, three passed in first class and two passed. Chandana has scored highest marks and bagged first place in Mysuru District.

Interaction

In memory of Kadavinakote Ramachandra, Kalasuruchi has organised an interaction with Nagesh Hegde, journalist, on Aug. 12 at 6.30 pm at Suruchi Rangamane in Kuvempunagar. He will be conversing with A. Suma on 'Development and Sustainability' and Kollegala Sharma on 'Science in Journalism.'

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	112.00 ft
Yesterday	100.00 ft
Inflow	1,30,000 cusecs
Outflow	50,000 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,281.30 ft
Inflow	1,00,000 cusecs
Outflow	1,20,000 cusecs

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,853.83 ft
Inflow	18,560 cusecs
Outflow	16,041 cusecs

Rainfall in Kodagu

An average of 177.42 mm rainfall in the last 24 hours; last year it was 22.37 mm.

Rainfall in Mysuru

An average of 11.4 mm rainfall on Aug. 9; last year this day no rains.

Kabini Dam Crest Gate malfunctions

Wire snaps due to lack of maintenance; officials restore gate in a two-day operation

H.D. Kote, Aug. 10 (Manju &BCT)- Even as there is an inflow of more than 1 lakh cusecs to Kabini Reservoir following heavy rains in Wayanad in Kerala that is the main catchment of Kabini, one of the four crest gates in the Reservoir has malfunctioned, increasing the pressure on the rest of the three gates.

Latest reports from Kabini Dam say that the malfunctioned gate has been restored and since this morning, all the four gates have been opened.

There are four crest gates in the Dam, located at H.D. Kote Taluk and more than 1,25,000 cusecs of water is being released on a daily basis flooding the downstream areas including Nanjangud. Officials at the Dam observed that the wires that enable the movement of the crest gate have snapped and as a result, the gates could not be manoeuvred to release water in full potential.

Usually when the Dam is full, water is released from all the four crest gates. This time as one of the gates malfunctioned, there was increased pressure on the other three gates. Sources said that the wires of the very first gate of the Dam had snapped.

The malfunction was noticed on Thursday at a time when heavy rains are lashing at Wayanad in Kerala and thousands of cusecs of water is flowing into the reservoir every hour. Local residents, who are in the know of things, told *Star of Mysore* that the gates were not properly maintained. "The officials had a lot of time to maintain the crest gates that need annual upkeep. As the gates were not maintained properly, the wires have cut as the officials attempted to release more than 1 lakh cusecs of water," said a resident.

Soon after the malfunction came into notice, officials began the task of restoring the wires. Sources said that the sturdy metal wires have been replaced with a new set of wires. A jeep was used to draw the wire and repairs were carried out to restore the crest gate.

According to Kabini Dam Executive Engineer Sujatha, the repair works of the gates were completed late last night. "Since Thursday, we worked round-the-clock to repair the wires and we have restored them. We took the help of local people and the Dam staff," she said and added that the Dam was safe and there was no need to panic.

A jeep being used to draw the wires of the crest gate at Kabini Dam. The wires had snapped and as a result, one of the crest gates malfunctioned.

Dam staff and engineers seen winding a new set of lubricated wires at the first crest gate in Kabini.

Today morning, Kabini officials released 1,25,000 cusecs of water, submerging the downstream villages. More than 200 people have been shifted to community centres that have been converted into relief centres.

Reports from Kerala say that Banasura Sagar Dam at Wayanad, which impounds the Karamanathodu tributary of the Kabini River, will release over 26,000 cusecs of water today.

As it is raining heavily in Wayanad, the Banasura Dam will step up the outflow depending on the water storage. This will increase the inflow to the Kabini Dam and as a result, there will be an increased outflow, officials added.

Physiotherapist arrested for rape of beautician

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (RK&DM)- The Udayagiri Police have arrested a 35-year-old Ayurvedic Physiotherapist for alleged rape of a beautician.

Harish, 35, a resident of Rajivnagar in the city is the one who has been arrested. Harish, who was working as a physiotherapist at a resort on H.D. Kote Road, had allegedly developed a physical relationship with a 25-year-old beautician who worked at a spa attached to a star hotel in the city, on the promise of marrying her.

But Harish, who was already married, failed to keep his promise, following which the beautician, lodged a complaint with the jurisdictional Udayagiri Police.

Based on the complaint, the Udayagiri Police arrested Harish yesterday.

He was produced before the Court which remanded him to judicial custody.

Obituary

B.S. Ramaswamy

Mysuru, Aug. 10- B.S. Ramaswamy (83), a retired Village Accountant and a resident of Jayanagar in city, passed away at a city hospital yesterday.

A native of Basavanahalli near Bannur in T. Narasipur taluk, he leaves behind two sons, including Dr. B.R. Satyanarayana, a Kannada Professor at Maharaja's College, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday evening, according to family sources.

VOICE OF THE READER

Will Irwin Road be ready before Dasara-2019?

Sir,

I regularly pass through Irwin Road to drop my wife to her office which is near the Suburban Bus Stand. But over the last two years, there is no city bus facility near to the Bus Stand.

This is because of Irwin Road widening project which has been stalled now. It is a very important road for general public as well as tourists as it connects to the Railway Station and Main Bus Stand. How much time does it take to complete widening of a small ½ km (approx) stretch?

This is a very irresponsible and shameful act on the part of our City Corporation, District Administration and our so-called elected representatives.

It is a known fact that this road is one of the busiest stretch and small accidents are very common due to vehicles moving to and fro on this narrow road, particularly during the peak hours.

The best way to succeed is to have a specific intent, a clear vision, a plan of action, how to tackle court cases, and the ability to maintain clarity before starting any project.

Dasara-2019 is fast approaching. At least for this mega event, one has to plan three months in advance. My worry is, will the new Irwin Road be ready before Dasara-2019 or 2020?

—Subrahmanya Bhat

Metagalli
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Free heart check-up camp

Mysuru, Aug.10 (PM&NNN)- Sri Mahajana Sabha is organising a free heart check-up camp as part of Chaturmasa being conducted by Udupi's Pejawar Mutt Seer Sri Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji and Junior Pontiff Sri Vishwa Prasanna Theertha Swamiji on Aug.11, said Camp Coordinator Dr. Gururaj.

Addressing a press conference at Pathrakartara Bhavan here on Thursday, he said that the free heart check-up camp will be held at Rama Mandira in Krishnamurthypuram from 9 am to 1 pm. As Pejawar Seer is involved in various social activities, it was his interest to conduct this camp, he added.

Lions installation ceremony

Mysuru, Aug. 10- The installation ceremony of District Cabinet of Lions Club International District 317 (A) will be held tomorrow (Aug. 11), said Lions District 317 A Governor Dr. Nagaraj V. Bairy.

Addressing press persons at Pathrakarthara Bhavan here recently, he said that the event will be inaugurated by Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar at a function to be held at KSOU Convocation Hall at 10.30 am.

Lions International Club Director Ranganathan Sampath will be the chief guest.

The Club will be felicitating Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences Director Dr. C.N. Manjunath and Adhamya Chethana Foundation Managing Trustee Tejaswini Ananthkumar with Seva Rathna award on the occasion.

The Club will also launch distribution of one lakh saplings and cleanliness drive at 12 wards of K.R. Hospital.

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REGISTRAR

Book on Siddharamaiah's administration to be released in B'luru tomorrow

Mysuru, Aug. 10 - A book on former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah's administration titled *'Siddharamaiah Aadalitha, Antharanga - Bahiranga: Varthamanada Ithihasa'* will be released tomorrow at a function to be held at Ravindra Kalakshetra in Bengaluru, said Karnataka Rajya Hindulida Vargagala Jagrutha Vedike President K.S. Shivaram.

Siddu

Addressing press persons at Pathrakarthara Bhavan here recently, he said that the book is an insight into Siddharamaiah's administration as Chief Minister.

The book will be released by Freedom Fighter Nadoja H.S. Doreswamy at 11 am. Former Speaker K.R. Ramesh Kumar will preside. MLC H.M. Revanna and Thinker Dr. K. Marulasiddappa will be the guests. Former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, Book's Editor K.T. Chikkanna and others will be present.

Vishwakarma Mahamandala District President C.T. Acharya, Savitha Samaja District President N.R. Nagesh and others were present at the press meet.

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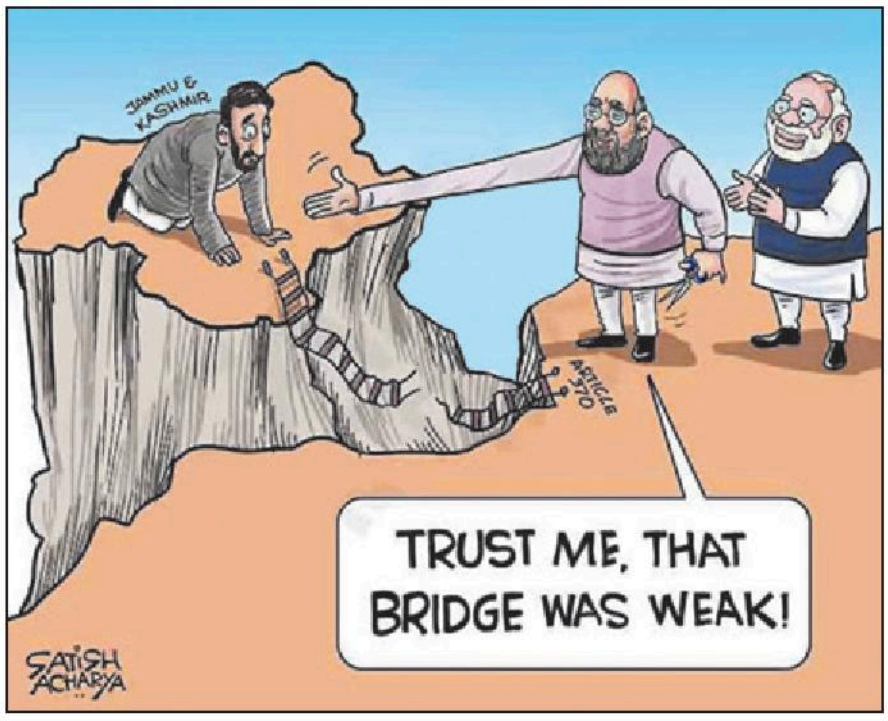
Finally, from Kashmir to Cape Comorin



Kashmir is no more the special one. But it remains so for the Congress Party and Pakistan. And why not? Kashmir has been used and misused for politics both within India and Pakistan.

After the special status to Kashmir was revoked, a headline in a Pakistani newspaper read, *"Madman on the loose"* with the photograph of Prime Minister Narendra Modi under it. But it is said, *"Insanity is doing the same thing over and over again expecting a different result."* So it is not Narendra Modi who is insane, but the leaders on both sides who did the same thing over and over again for over six decades in Kashmir expecting a different result.

Now, a Government has come along that has tried something new. Will it succeed in bringing Kashmir to mainstream India? Time will tell. Will it give the people of Kashmir prosperity? Again there are no guarantees. But may be we can appreciate the fact that a new strategy is being attempted.

As for the people clamouring over the "technicality of how it was done," indeed the manner in which it was done was Machiavellian. What other way was there? You were given six decades to come up with a solution that was not "crafty." What did you do?

Now the same people who couldn't find a solution nor let others try a new solution are cautioning, *"There will be blood bath in the Valley."*

Former CM of Kashmir Farooq Abdulla in a state of breathlessness and urgency said he had broken the door and walked out of his house where he was under house arrest and added with a melodramatic tone, *"My State is being burnt. My people are being executed in jails!"*

Now, one would imagine a man with such intense feelings for his "burning" State and people would be on the street sitting on fast-unto-death but Farooq Abdulla broke from his house arrest and went for lunch in a restaurant and spoke to the Press!

Yes, indeed Farooq Abdulla's father and Omar Abdulla's grandfather, Sheikh Abdulla was a leader who was secular and never called for freedom of Kashmir from India. He was very much in tune with the idea of India.

Ramachandra Guha in his scholarly book, *Indian After Gandhi,* notes: On the first anniversary of Indian Independence, he (Sheikh Abdulla) sent a letter to a popular Madras magazine called *Swatantra*. He wrote *"Through the pages of 'Swatantra' I wish to send my message of fraternity to the people of the South. Far back in the annals of India, the South and the North met in the land of Kashmir. The great Shankaracharya came to Kashmir to spread his dynamic philosophy but here he was defeated in argument by a Panditani (a female Pandit or wife of a Pandit). This gave rise to the peculiar philosophy of Kashmir — Shaivism. A memorial to the great Shankaracharya in Kashmir stands prominent on the top of the Shankaracharya Hill in Srinagar; it is a temple containing the murti of Shiva.*

We in Kashmir expect that we shall continue to receive support and sympathy from the people of the South and that some day when we describe the extent of our country we shall use the phrase 'From Kashmir to Cape Comorin'."

The Madras magazine in turn responded by printing a lyrical paean (a song of praise) to the union of Kashmir with India, which said, *"The blood of many a brave Tamilian, Andhra, Malayalee and Coorgi has soaked into the fertile soil of Kashmir and mixed with the blood of the Kashmir patriots cementing forever the unity of the North and the South."* Sheikh Abdulla read this message out at the end of his *Eid* festival speech in Srinagar in 1948.

In fact, it was the Hindu King, Maharaja Hari Singh, who wanted to be Independent. Maharaja Hari Singh had grand plans of turning Kashmir into Switzerland, a non-aligned, neutral nation; a paradise tucked away between snow-capped mountains. But when the violent tribesmen armed by Pakistani army came to invade Kashmir, he acceded to India.

So yes, Sheikh Abdulla was for India but he also got his State special treatment that India did NOT have to oblige. But at that time, in the context of war, may be it was something the Government of that day wanted to "try", that is why they kept it under temporary provisions.

While most Congress leaders and people against the scrapping of special status to Kashmir are worried about what will happen to Kashmiris, did any of them worry about what has been happening to Ladakhis?

People who are opposed to the scrapping of this special status to Kashmir should ask, is it not "unsecular" when a Muslim majority discriminates against a Buddhist minority? Is it not unfair when Valmikis (Dalits) brought to Jammu and Kashmir in 1957 by the State Government are still not eligible for a permanent residency, job reservation and a house? Isn't it unfair when a Kashmiri woman loses all her inheritance because she marries a non-Kashmiri? Aren't all these human rights violations? Then why are they against a Bill that removes these violations?

Many say why not ask what Kashmiris want? Well, Edward Luce, the senior British journalist from *Financial Times* wrote how in 2005 at PM Manmohan Singh's rally, *"The crowd was NOT yelling freedom or Pakistan or Islam, as they might have done in the past. Instead they were shouting jobs and repeatedly chanted remove unemployment."*

Meanwhile, did anyone ask what the Ladakhis want? After all, they are part of Jammu and Kashmir too.

Ladakh has been asking for a Union Territory status for a long time. They even floated a political party called Ladakh Union Territory Front in 2002. Three years later in 2005 they swept the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council election. Then they again requested the Congress Government at the Centre to make Ladakh a Union Territory. They were not entertained.

In 2010, they merged with the BJP. Nine years later, in 2019, BJP has delivered their demand. And in doing so they have also fulfilled Sheikh Abdulla's wish — India now is truly from *"Kashmir to Cape Comorin."*

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MCC, CESC Officers to tackle rain woes

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (VNS)- The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) have appointed special teams to act in case of emergency as a result of heavy rainfall in Mysuru city. The list is as follows:

NODAL OFFICERS

Chamaraja Assembly Constituency
MCC Additional Commissioner N.M. Shashikumar: **94492-76306**

Krishnaraja Assembly Constituency
MCC DC (Administration) B.C. Shivananda Murthy: **99805-57442**

Narasimharaja Assembly Constituency
MCC Council Secretary R. Rangaswamy: **98860-12607**

Chamundeshwari Constituency (under MCC limits)
MCC Deputy Commissioner (Revenue) Kumar Nayak: **99026-38586**

UGD ISSUES
MCC Executive Engineer (UGD) Mahesh: **94495-81212**

WATER SUPPLY
VVWW Executive Engineer Nagaraj Murthy: **94481-22042**

STREET-LIGHTS
Electricity Division Executive Engineer M.G. Nagesh: **94485-23317**

CLEARING UPROOTED TREES
Horticulture Assistant Director Sadashiva Channe: **91412-82677**

OFFICERS IN-CHARGE FOR CLEANLINESS

Chamaraja: MCC Health Officer Dr. M.S. Jayanth: **94483-25885**
Krishnaraja: Health Officer Dr. D.G. Nagaraj: **94818-20856**
Narasimharaja: Health Officer Dr. Jahanara Tabassum: **99010-67854**

For any complaints regarding rain havoc, residents may contact MCC 24x7 Control Room Numbers: **94498-41195, 94498-41196; 0821-2418800, 0821-2418816, 0821-2440890 and 0821-2431112.**

ZONAL-LEVEL OFFICERS FOR 65 WARDS OF MCC

Zonal Office 1 (Wards 49, 50, 51, 52, 54, 55 and 61)
Zonal Commissioner Ranjith Kumar: **96861-51347**
Development Officer Bharath: **78924-81685**

Zonal Office 2 (Wards 48, 56, 59, 60, 62, 63, 64 and 65)
Zonal Commissioner T.B. Kumar Nayak: **99026-38586**
Development Officer R.N. Omkar: **98866-20499**

Zonal Office 3 (Wards 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 57 and 58)
Zonal Commissioner B.C. Shivanandamurthy: **99805-57442**
Development Officer G.N. Gangadharaiah: **94482-37520**

Zonal Office 4 (Wards 6,18,19, 21 and 22)
Zonal Commissioner Priyadarshini: **97319-46699**
Development Officer N. Sunil: **94488-66666**

Zonal Office 5 (Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 20)
Zonal Commissioner H. Nagaraj: **98451-44869**
Development Officer S. Veeresh: **99866-59821**

Zonal Office 6 (Wards 23, 24, 25, 40 and 41)
Zonal Commissioner Geetha Udeda: **87623-84731**
Development Officer H. Nagaraj: **98451-44869**

Zonal Office 7 (Wards 8, 9, 17, 26, 27 and 28)
Zonal Commissioner Geetha Udeda: **87623-84731**
Development Officer M.C. Srinivas: **94498-41227**

Zonal Office 8 (Wards 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 29 and 33):
Zonal Commissioner & Development Officer Kuberappa: **80739-95839**

Zonal Office 9 (Wards 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 53)
Zonal Commissioner H.R. Muralidhar: **94480-61719**
Development Officer K.G. Harish: **94482-08147**

Asst. Executive Engineer (Vehicle Division) R.M. Poornachandra will monitor the Abhaya Team and Assistant Director (Veterinary) Dr. S.C. Suresh will look into issues related to stray cattle and clearing of animal carcass.

CESC OFFICERS IN-CHARGE OF RAIN ISSUES [CESC Control Room Number: 1912]

Mysuru City
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V.V. Mohalla Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE): **94489-94744**
Central Division AEE: **94489-94741**

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Chamundipuram Division AEE: **94489-94745**
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N.R. Mohalla Division AEE: **94489-94742**
Jyothinagar Division AEE: **94495-98621**

Chamundeshwari Assembly Constituency
Hootagalli Division AEE: **94495-98639**
R.K. Nagar Division AEE: **94489-94596**

KSRTC introduces Volvo buses to Malavalli and Kushalnagar

Mysuru, Aug.10 (RK&DM)- The Mysuru City Transport Division (MCTD) of KSRTC has introduced Volvo Bus (AC Bus) services to Malavalli and Kushalnagar, which will operate from KSRTC Sub-Urban Bus Stand in the city. KSRTC MCTD Divisional Controller K.V. Manjunath and DTO Marigowda flagged off the Volvo buses at the Bus Stand yesterday. KSRTC will operate four Volvo buses to Malavalli and six to Kushalnagar.

The Volvo bus fare to Malavalli is Rs.50 (Express fare - Rs.44) and to Kushalnagar Rs.100 (Express fare - Rs.83).

The Volvo Bus to Malavalli will stop at Mellahalli / Harohalli (fare Rs.20), Bannur (Rs.35), Kirugavalu (Rs.45) on way to Malavalli (Rs.50).

The Volvo Bus to Kushalnagar will stop at Yelwal (fare Rs.30), Hunsur (Rs.50), Periyapatna (Rs.70), Bylakuppe (Rs.85) on way to Kushalnagar (Rs.100).

The Bus to Malavalli will depart from the Sub-urban Bus Stand at 7.40 am, 8.10 am, 8.50 am, 9.30 am, 10.25 am, 10.55 am, 11.35 am, 12.05 pm, 12.45 pm, 1.40 pm, 2.20 pm, 2.50 pm, 3.30 pm, 4.10 pm, 5 pm, 5.30 pm, 6.10 pm and 7.50 pm.

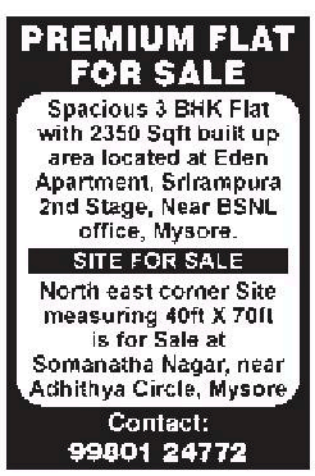
The Bus to Kushalnagar will depart at 8.15 am, 9 am, 10 am, 10.45 am, 11.15 am, 12 noon, 12.35 pm, 1.20 pm, 2.20 pm, 3.05 pm, 3.35 pm, 4.20 pm, 5.20 pm, 7.30 pm and 8.15 pm.

From Malavalli, the bus will leave for Mysuru at 7 am, 7.40 am, 8.50 am, 9.45 am, 10.25 am, 10.55 am, 11.35 am, 12.05 pm, 12.45 pm, 1.40 pm, 2.20 pm, 2.50 pm, 3.30 pm, 4.20 pm, 5.00 pm, 5.20 pm, 6.10 pm and 6.40 pm.

From Kushalnagar, the bus will leave for Mysuru at 7 am, 8 am, 8.50 am, 10.15 am, 11.20 am, 12 noon, 12.45 pm, 1.15 pm, 2.20 pm, 3 pm, 3.30 pm, 4.30 pm, 5.05 pm, 5.35 pm and 6.30 pm.

Results announced

Mysuru, Aug.10- The results of the 2019 Karnatak Vocal and Musical Instruments Written Examination and the Practical Examination, conducted by District Institute of Education and Training (DIET), has been announced on the website *www.kseeb.kar.nic.in* on Aug.6, said a press release from DIET.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121-year-old Fire Brigade Station portico collapses

Post-woman, Home Guard have miraculous escape

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (SBD&NNN)- The latest heritage building that came crashing down in city is the 121-year-old Fire Brigade Station in Saraswathipuram. The portico of this landmark building suddenly collapsed yesterday at 3.20 pm due to heavy rains that has been lashing the city since the past four days. Luckily, there was no casualty.

The collapsed portion of Fire Brigade Station in Saraswathipuram.

The two persons who had a miraculous escape were Post-woman Ambika and Home Guard M. Pradeep, a resident of Jakkalli in H.D. Kote taluk. At around 3.20 pm, Ambika parked her two-wheeler under the portico and was going inside the Fire Brigade Office when suddenly the roof's cement plastering chips came down and even as she was watching, the pillars started shaking. She ran inside and by then the portico had come down, said Home Guard Pradeep who had the presence of mind to escape from the place.

This incident occurred even as it continued to pour. As a result of the portico coming down, the two-wheeler belonging to Ambika was badly damaged but no other untoward incident occurred.

Near the collapsed portico, every day hundreds of students would be standing waiting for the buses. Since it was holiday due to *Varamahalakshmi,* no one was standing there. As students use this place as a shelter, a water can is also kept there for drinking. So, a few who stand near the bus stand, which is very close to the Fire Brigade, come and drink water.

Whenever it rained the two-wheeler riders and pedestrians would take shelter under this portico. Luckily, yesterday at this time not a single person was standing there. Otherwise the scale of tragedy would have been enormous.

Even as the portico was collapsing, the Fire Brigade personnel and the Traffic Police cordoned off the area. MLAs S.A. Ramdas and L. Nagendra rushed to the spot to inspect the place. The two elected representatives discussed with the officials of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), Public Works Department (PWD) and Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage and cleared the place.

Speaking to media, Nagendra said that the Heritage Department officials were not making any efforts to save heritage buildings which had become weak. As a result several heritage buildings are in a dilapidate state. The experts in the name of conservation do not allow such buildings to be demolished and rebuild in the same style. They only urge that the buildings which are about to fall be strengthened and preserved. Hence, such accidents keep occurring, he alleged.

Corporator Vedavathi, MCC in-charge Commissioner P.S. Kantharaju, MCC Deputy Commissioner N.M. Shashikumar, Zonal Officer Shivanandamurthy, Development Officer Sunil, BJP Yuva Morcha State Secretary Devaraj, Regional Fire Brigade Officer Eshwar Nayak, Naveen, Dinesh Gowda and others were present.

'Ides of August'

The 'Ides of March' is a famous expression, but in our city we could say it is 'Ides of August' because somehow this month has proved to be a disaster with some of the iconic heritage structures caving in or collapsing during this month.

The latest to fall is the Fire Brigade portico. Nearly 200 heritage structures have been identified so far. Just like Lansdowne and Devaraja Market buildings, even the Fire Brigade building has been identified as a heritage structure. Just like the other two, a portion of portico of this building too has collapsed.

It may be recalled, a portion of the Lansdowne building collapsed on **Aug. 25, 2012** in which four people died. Similarly, the North portion of the Devaraja Market building collapsed on **Aug. 28, 2016** and even this Fire Brigade portico has come down on **Aug. 9, 2019**.

The Fire Brigade building was constructed in 1898 and it is now a 121-year-old building. It was constructed using mortar and gravel but since it has not been preserved properly, it has collapsed, it is alleged. The MLA has suggested that the other portion of the portico which is also weak must be brought down and a new portico built in its place.

Heritage Department Officials said that the experts would inspect the building and submit a report at the earliest.

However, the fate of this building is likely to go the way of the Lansdowne and Devaraja Market buildings. It is seven years but the fate of Lansdowne building still remains unchanged and even after three years, Devaraja Market North Gate continues to be an eyesore.

[The 'Ides of March' was a day in the Roman calendar that corresponds to 15th March. In 44 BC, it became notorious as the date of the assassination of Julius Caesar which made the 'Ides of March' a turning point in Roman history.]

File photos of Lansdowne building which collapsed on Aug. 25, 2012 and Devaraja Market building (pic. right) that collapsed on Aug. 28, 2016.

B.Y. Vijayendra inspects Saraswathipuram Fire Brigade

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (RK&DM)- A day after the portico of the 121-year-old Fire Brigade at Saraswathipuram collapsed due to intense rainfall, B.Y. Vijayendra, State BJP Yuva Morcha General Secretary, inspected the spot this morning.

He was accompanied by MLAs L. Nagendra, S.A. Ramdas and C.S. Niranjan Kumar, State BJP Secretary M. Rajendra, leaders Dr. B.H. Manjunath, Siddaraju, H.V. Rajeev, Raghu Kautilya, Appanna and others.

Apprising Vijayendra on the damage caused to the Fire Brigade building, Chamaraja MLA Nagendra said that the building is a heritage structure which had become dilapidated over passage of time.

Pointing out that there were several other iconic heritage structures in the city such as Devaraja Market, Lansdowne building etc., which have become dilapidated, Nagendra said that the Government should take serious note of the dilapidated condition of all heritage structures in the city and take urgent measures before any tragedy occurs.

Batting for the demolition of all dilapidated heritage structures and construction of new ones while retaining their heritage character, Nagendra said that the Government should take immediate measures in this regard.

Later, speaking to presspersons, Vijayendra, who is also the son of Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa, said that he has taken note of the serious concerns expressed by the party Legislators on the dilapidated structures and would take up the issue with top Government officials soon.

He further said that he would tour all flood-hit taluks of the district today to take stock of the situation.

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Fund Crunch

City Central Library building work at People's Park comes to standstill

The work on the final stages of completion of the library building at People's Park has come to a standstill due to fund crunch.

Mysuru, Aug.10 (RKB&NNN)- The work on the nearly Rs.5 crore new building of the City Central Library at People's Park has come to a standstill due to lack of funds.

The State Government had sanctioned Rs.4 crore and the Department of Libraries Rs.25 lakh. However, there is shortage of grant for the remaining portion of the work.

In the 340 ft X 400 ft premises in People's Park, nearly 75 percent of the work has been completed. In the final stages, the work on the interiors, furniture, lawn and compound had to be completed. Now they are facing fund crunch. Hence, the final completion work has come to a standstill.

The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) owes the library cess of Rs.18 crore to the Department of Libraries. Though it has collected this amount, it has not been remitted to the Department in spite of repeated reminders.

If the cess amount that is due to the Department is given, then the work on the massive structure can be completed at the earliest.

The Chief Librarian of City Central Library Dr. B. Manjunath, who is also the Deputy Director of the Department of Libraries, Mysuru District, says that they have been waiting for the funds so that they can complete the remaining work at the earliest.

The Chief Secretary has directed the Principal Secretaries to release the labour cess. Principal Secretary Umashankar called me and directed me to release the library cess that is due to the Department. We will look into the matter and depending on the funds we require, we will release the grant according to law.

—P.S. Kantharaju, in-charge Commissioner, MCC

MCC had to release Rs.18 crore due to the Department of Libraries and recently MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag (who has gone on leave) had released Rs.50 lakh. However, if the remaining amount is released it will help us complete the work and also serve the people. This will also help us give better facilities to the public in the future.

—B. Manjunath, Deputy Director, Department of Libraries, Mysuru District.

Education Department Principal Secretary inspects Library building

Assures release of balance amount from MCC to complete work

Mysuru, Aug.10 (RKB&NNN)- Higher Education Department Principal Secretary Umashankar visited the People's Park on Wednesday to inspect the two-storeyed Library which is in the final stages of completion.

He lauded the good quality work that has been undertaken. He directed the Deputy Director to complete the remaining portion of the work at the earliest.

Reacting to this, the Deputy Director Dr. B. Manjunath said that from the grants released by the Government and the Department, the first stage of the work had been completed and only the final stage had to be completed. However, there is fund crunch to complete it. The MCC owes Rs.18 crore of library cess as dues to the Department of Libraries and if this is given, then the work can be completed, he told the Principal Secretary.

Higher Education Department Principal Secretary Umashankar visited the People's Park and inspected the work of the library building on Wednesday. Library Deputy Director Dr. B. Manjunath and DDPI Panduranga can be seen.

"The Principal Secretary has assured that if the MCC does not give the balance amount then he would write to the Chief Secretary and in the grant that will be given to the MCC, Rs.5 crore would be deducted and given for the completion of the work," informed Dr. Manjunath to *Star of Mysore*.

66th National Film Awards announced

Kannada actress Shruthi Hariharan bags the Special Jury Award; Keerthy Suresh is Best Actress, Ayushmann Khuranna and Vicky Kaushal share Best Actor award

Shruthi Hariharan Keerthy Suresh Ayushmann Vicky Kaushal

New Delhi, Aug.10- Kannada actress Shruthi Hariharan, child-artiste P.V. Rohit of 'Ondalla Eradalla' fame and playback singer Bindu (all from Karnataka) are among the winners of the 66th National Film Awards announced yesterday.

Kannada movie 'Nathicharami' has been awarded for the Best Lyrics. While the Best Playback Singer has been bagged by Bindu for the song 'Mayavi Manase' from the movie 'Nathicharami' starring Shruthi Hariharan and Sanchari Vijay, singer Arijit Singh has bagged the award for Best Playback Singer Male for the rendition of the song 'Binte Dil' from the movie 'Padmaavat.'

This is for the first time that Kannada movies have bagged a total of 11 awards. Last year's most popular Kannada movie 'KGF Chapter 1' bagged the National Award for Best Action Direction and Best Special Effects. 'Nathicharami' bagged the five National Awards for Best Regional Movie, Best Playback Singer Female, Best Lyrics, Best Editing and Special Jury Award.

And the winners are...

Best Non Feature Film: *Son Rise* by Vibha Bakshi and *The Secret Life of Frogs* by Ajay and Vijay Bedi
Best Educational Film: *Sarala Virala*
Best Director: Aditya Dhar for *Uri: The Surgical Strike*
Best Feature Film: *Hellaro* - Gujarati film directed by Abhishek Shah
Best Actor: Ayushmann Khuranna for *Andhadhun* and Vicky Kaushal for *Uri: The Surgical Strike*
Best Actress: Keerthy Suresh for *Mahanati*
Best Supporting Actor: Swanand Kirkire for *Chumbhak*
Best Supporting Actress: Surekha Sikri for *Badhaai Ho*
Best Action Direction: *KGF Chapter I*
Best Choreography: *Ghoomar...* from *Padmaavat*
Best Film for National Integration: *Ondalla Eradalla* (Kannada)
Best Cinematography: *Olu* (Malayalam) - M.J. Radhakrishnan
Best Popular Film: *Badhaai Ho*
Best Film on Environment Conservation/ Preservation: *Paani*
Best Debut Film of a Director: *Naan* - Jeeva Shankar
Best Film on Social Issues: *Padman*
Best Child Artiste: P.V. Rohith (Kannada), Sameep Singh (Punjabi), Talha Arshad Reshi (Urdu) and Shrinivas Pokale (Marathi)
Best Children's Film: *Sarkari Hiriya Prathamika Shaale Kasaragod*
Best Special Effects: *KGF Chapter I*
Special Jury Award: Award shared by Sruthi Hariharan for *Nathicharami*, Joju George for *Joseph*, Savithri Sreedharan for *Sudani from Nigeria*, Chandrachoor Rai for *Kadak*

Best Regional Films

Best Rajasthani Film: *Turtle*
Best Tamil Film: *Baaram*
Best Marathi Film: *Bhonga*
Best Hindi Film: *Andhadhun*
Best Urdu Film: *Hamid*
Best Telugu Film: *Mahanati*
Best Assamese Film: *Bulbul Can Sing*
Best Punjabi Film: *Arjedha*

Screenplay

Best Original Screenplay: *Chi La Sow*
Best Adapted Screenplay: *Andhadhun*
Best Dialogues: *Tariqh*

Music

Best Lyrics: *Nathichirami* (Kannada)
Best Music Direction (Songs): Sanjay Leela Bhansali for *Padmaavat*
Best Music Direction (Background Score): *Uri*
Best Sound Design: *Uri*
Best Female playback Singer: Bindu for *Mayavi Manave* (Kannada)
Best Male Playback Singer: Arijit Singh for *Binte Dil*

Production

Best Make Up Artist: Awe
Best Production Design: *Kammara Sambhavam* (Malayalam)
Best Costume: *Mahanati*

CFTRI to send ready-to-eat food for flood victims

A file photo shows CFTRI employees preparing ready-to-eat meals for the flood affected people.

Mysuru, Aug.10 (RK&BCT)- Coming to the rescue of flood-affected people in Kodagu and the rest of Karnataka, city-based Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), a premier Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) laboratory in India, will send ready-to-eat food materials.

Teams at the premier institute are working round-the-clock to prepare food for the affected people, said CFTRI Director Dr. K.S.M.S. Raghavarao.

A note from the CFTRI said that Mysuru is sending relief food to Hassan. The meal packets will contain a total of 4,000 chapathis (2,500 meals), 70 kilogram of chutney, 100 kg of rusk (1,000 meals), 6,000 bottles of drinking water and about 300 kg (3,000 meals) of ready-to-consume Avalakki mix.

"This is in response to the request from the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan. The consignment is planned for despatch on August 10 (today) and further consignments will be sent on demand from the flood-affected regions," said the note.

CFTRI has been supplying food to the affected people in calamities since Tsunami in 2004. It had sent food and relief material to Kerala during floods in 2018 and to flood victims of Uttarakhand in 2013.

The most recent disaster was last year's flood in Kerala and Kodagu and Bhubaneswar during Fani cyclone. Relief foods were prepared at four of its pilot food plants which are otherwise facilities for demonstration on how its various food technologies can be commercialised.

World Breast-feeding Week concludes

Mysuru, Aug.10 (MK&US)- "There is no alternative to breast milk which is the most nutritious infant food," asserted K. Padma, Deputy Director, Department of Women and Child Welfare.

Speaking at the valedictory of the World Breast-feeding Week organised by Indian Academy of Paediatrics (IAP), Mysuru District Unit, at the Platinum Jubilee Hall at J.K. Grounds here on Wednesday. Padma said that breast-feeding would improve the health of mothers also.

She suggested that the awareness on breast-feeding should not be restricted to one day in a year but should be every day and added that Doctors, Anganwadi Activists and ASHA workers were continuously engaged in educating people on importance of breast milk.

Cheluvamba Hospital Medical Superintendent Dr. Pramila allayed fears among women that breast milk should not be fed to babies on the day of birth and asserted that the milk can be fed half-an-hour after child's birth.

She contended that about 50% of the mothers are unable to breastfeed their infants owing to stressful routine.

MMC&RI Dean and Director Dr. C.P. Nanjaraj, Head of Paediatrics Dr. Sudha Rudrappa, MMC&RI Principal Dr. K.R. Dakshayini, IAP Mysuru District President Dr. Rajeshwari Madappa and others were present on the occasion.

Boy goes missing from shelter home

Mysuru, Aug.10- Adding to the long list of persons going missing from the city, a 15-year-old school boy has gone missing from a children's shelter home in city.

L. Balaji, who left Chamundi Children Shelter Home for school on the morning of July 31, 2019, has not returned to the shelter home since then, according to a complaint lodged by the shelter home's Secretary at V.V. Puram Police Station.

Balaji is 5'4" in height, round faced blackish in complexion and medium built. Those coming across any whereabouts about the said missing boy, can contact V.V. Puram Police on Ph: 0821-2418314 / 514 or Mob: 94808-02238.

Red Alert as KRS gates open

A team of public announcers beating the drums (Dangura) warn the villagers downstream of KRS this morning not to venture into Cauvery River.

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Over 247 affected people have been shifted from flooded houses, estates and river banks. Also, 11 cattle heads have been rescued. In Bhagamandala and Kushalnagar, the villages located on the banks of River Cauvery have been completely submerged.

Exacerbated by landslides: In the mountainous district, thousands of people have been marooned because of torrential rains. Exacerbated by landslides in hilly terrain, flooding has led to the destruction of homes, bridges, road networks, and industries.

Kodagu Deputy Commissioner Annies Kanmani Joy said that the flood washed away around 5,000 homes in Kondangeri, Murnad, Guhya, Koodugadde, Bettadakaadu, Karadigodu, Baradi, Ayyangeri and other smaller villages along the banks of the Cauvery.

"Over 10,000 houses were completely submerged. Many people had already left their homes but around 5,000 people were still there. They were rescued by the NDRF, SDRF, Fire and Emergency Services and the locals on Friday," she added.

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Boats sent from Mysuru Fire Brigade to Kodagu

Kodagu administration seeks relief items; prepares list of 23 items that can be donated to collection centres

The boat sent from Mysuru on a fire engine being brought down in Madikeri yesterday. Picture right shows another boat mounted on a jeep.

Mysuru, Aug.10 (RK&BCT)- Kodagu is facing the wrath of rain fury this year also as heavy showers continued to lash the district and there is no respite. Rivers Cauvery, Lakshmanatheertha, Keerepole and many rivulets have breached the danger level and have overflowed, submerging the surrounding areas.

With road connectivity snapping, stranding vehicular traffic, boats are the only means of transport to shift people to relief centres. As of now, 25 relief centres have been set up at various parts of Kodagu, especially in the South region and more than 2,500 people have been accommodated there. Food, shelter and sanitation facilities are being provided to them.

With rivers swollen, submerging more than 70 villages, the authorities are finding it difficult to reach affected areas for rescue operations. Two additional platoons of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) have been deployed in the district and villagers have climbed hilly areas to protect themselves from flood.

More than 50 rafters are being used for rescue efforts and boats are being despatched from Mysuru Fire Brigade Office to handle the distress situation. Even the Kodagu District Administration has stocks of boats and has sent them to Siddapura, Karadigodu and other areas to rescue people. Also, boats are being transported on top of jeeps to South Kodagu where River Lakshmanatheertha is flooding roads and villages.

While one boat has been shipped to Kodagu from Mysuru Fire Brigade Office on Friday, another boat was sent yesterday.

Five officers and 18 staff, who are also expert swimmers, have been despatched. They are carrying a set of life jackets and powerful torches that can beam lights up to 100 metres.

Kodagu seeks help: Meanwhile, the Kodagu District Administration is in need of help as the number of evacuees has been on the rise with each passing day. The State Government as well as the Kodagu District Administration has requested volunteers and organisations to drop aid at collection centres set up in Madikeri and Kushalnagar.

The Administration has prepared a list of 23 items that can be donated to the centres. They include cooking items and gas stove, plastic buckets and mugs, raincoats and warm clothes, gumboots, slippers, gloves and masks, sanitary napkins and diapers, plastic mats and umbrellas, bed sheets, pillows, nighties, lungis, sweaters and woollen caps, mosquito repellents, torchlights, mops and sanitisers, cleaning liquids, bleaching powder, soaps, shampoo, toothpaste, brush and combs, kitchen utensils, matchboxes and candles, bathing towels and inner garments, luggage bags, cooking oil and antiseptic creams.

Relief material location of centres

The collection centres have been set up at APMC Warehouse in Madikeri (Contact - Srikantamurthy, PDO: 94808-69005) and APMC Warehouse in Kushalnagar (Suresh, lecturer: 97417-57291).

The Administration said, it does not require medicines, food and perishable items, and have sufficient volunteers.

MLA seeks status report of all heritage buildings in city

Mysuru, Aug.10 (MTY&VNS)- The continuous rainfall in Mysuru that has created havoc in Mysuru seems to have woken up representatives of people in city who are now going on an inspection spree to assess the misery caused by the recent rains.

Chamaraja constituency MLA L. Nagendra, who inspected Sarawathipuram Fire Brigade, a part of which had collapsed yesterday, held a meeting with district-level officers at Jaladarshini Guest House on Hunsur Road here this morning.

Addressing the meeting, Nagendra instructed the officials of Heritage Department to issue notices to the owners and in-charge officials of 132 heritage buildings identified in Mysuru by giving them a time frame to submit a report on the status of their building.

Chamaraja MLA L. Nagendra addressing the District-level officers at Jaladarshini Guest House in city this morning.

"Among the list of 200 buildings submitted, 132 were identified as heritage structure. Out of these buildings, around 85 percent of them house various Government offices. Unfortunately, owing to lack of maintenance and negligence by the people in-charge, the buildings are dilapidated and are on the verge of collapsing; Also, a few have collapsed like the Devaraja Market, Lansdowne Building and recently the Saraswathipuram Fire Brigade," he added.

Calling for an immediate meeting of Expert Committee on Heritage Buildings, Nagendra took a dig at previous two State Governments for neglecting heritage structures.

"I had raised the issue during the Assembly Session, but the then Chief Minister did not consider answering my queries which shows the attitude of the State Government towards heritage building," he said.

Nagendra also said that he would apprise Chief Minister Yediyurappa during the Dasara High Power Committee scheduled to be held on Monday (Aug.12). He also added that the Chief Minister would be invited to Mysuru to inspect the heritage buildings in the city.

"We must consider seeking suggestion from the members of Mysore Royal Family as majority of the heritage building in city were constructed by their ancestors," said Nagendra.

Demolish staff-quarters behind Fire Brigade: Nagendra also instructed the officials to demolish the staff quarters behind Saraswathipuram Fire Brigade as it was in a dilapidated condition.

During the meeting, the Fire Department officials informed that a report regarding the need to renovate the Saraswathipuram Fire Brigade office was submitted around four years ago but the Heritage Department had not considered the issue.

To this, the Heritage Department officials said that they had not received any such report.

Later, Nagendra, expressing his displeasure, said that the officials lacked communication and urged them to come out with a report on the status of heritage building as early as possible.

ADC Poornima, officials of Mysuru City Corporation, Mysuru Urban Development Authority, Heritage Department, Public Works Department and Fire Department attended the meeting.

Rs.5 lakh relief cheque presented to flood victim's family at Hunsur

Hunsur, Aug.10- B.Y. Vijayendra, State BJP Yuva Morcha General Secretary, this morning presented a cheque for Rs.5 lakh to the family of the deceased Ganesh, who died in a house collapse at Veeranahosahalli in the taluk yesterday.

Vijayendra, who visited the deceased Ganesh's family at Veeranahosahalli, presented the Rs.5 lakh cheque (Rs. 4 lakh out of CRF fund and Rs.1 lakh out of the CM's Relief Fund) to his mother.

Later, Vijayendra toured the flood-hit village when the residents living in 121 houses, which were found dilapidated, were asked to vacate the houses and move to safer zones.

He also urged the Tahsildar to construct houses to the families who have lost houses, under the Tribal Housing Scheme.

Mysuru City BJP President Dr. B.H. Manjunath, District President M. Shivanna, State BJP Secretary M. Rajendra, MLAs S.A. Ramdas, L. Nagendra and C.S. Niranjan Kumar, Hunsur disqualified MLA A.H. Vishwanath, Party leaders Kautilya Raghu, K.P. Siddalingaswamy, H.V. Rajeev and others were present.

Five injured as former Hunsur MLA's car topples

Hunsur, Aug.10 (KK&DM)- Five persons were injured when a car belonging to former Hunsur MLA H.P. Manjunath toppled near Mallinathapura on Mysuru-Hunsur Road yesterday.

The injured included H.P. Manjunath's daughter Manasa, his niece Chinmayi, the former MLA's brother Dr. Srinath, his (Srinath) daughter Shreya and the car driver Pradeep.

The five were travelling to Hunsur in a SUV (KA-45 N-1357) to take part in Varamahalakshmi Festival at the residence of H.P. Manjunath in Hunsur, when the accident took place.

Former MLA H.P. Manjunath, who was in Hunsur, rushed to the spot soon after hearing news of the accident.

The jurisdictional Bilikere Police have registered a case in this regard.

Register names at District Employment Exchange Office

Mysuru, Aug.10- The District Employment Exchange Office has invited those involved in skilled works like building work, baby sitting, beautician, carpenter, computer, lap top repairers, coolies, cooks, drivers, electricians, gardeners, tailors, maids, nurses, plumbers, painters, security guards, teachers, music teachers, finance, insurance, sales tax consultants to register their names on *www.ncs.gov.in* to find suitable jobs.

Those interested may appear at the office of the Deputy Director, Employment Exchange Department, N.R. Mohalla, on Aug.14 along with their Aadhaar card and voters ID card or any other ID card to register their names. For details, contact Mob: 99457-51254, according to a press release from the Department.

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Footpath hotels spring back to business as rain relents

Mysuru, Aug.10 (RK&NNN)- Relentless rain that the city has been experiencing since the past four days has not only brought normal life to a standstill but it has forced footpath hotels and chat shops to close business.

However, with the sun peeping out this morning, a few of them started operations from as early as 6.30 am.

The footpath or street food is something that caters to a large section of the population that includes daily wagers, factory workers, single men and women living in hostels, students and even working couples, who depend on this cheap, hot instant food.

People throng to such small makeshift places that serve food in food carts, with just a tarpaulin cover to protect them from rain and shine. The usual menu consists of dosas, idlis, vadas, pooris, chapathis, rice bath not to forget the mouth watering chat items like masala and pani puris, gobi manchuri and the list is endless.

There are hotels on the road which start at 6.30 in the morning and close only at 11.30 in the night and they serve breakfast, lunch, snacks and dinner all at affordable costs.

However, due to heavy rains in the last four days, most of the footpath shops, whose livelihood depends on selling street food, had remained closed for two reasons — one is the lack of customers and second, the fear of food going waste as they are all perishable items.

The places where the street food is sold includes near the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Narayan Shastry Road and surrounding areas, in Nazarbad near Mini Vidhana Soudha, Jayadeva Heart Hospital and ESI Hospital on KRS Road, Mathru Mandali Circle, Hebbal Industrial Area near Indira Nursing Home, near Vidya Vardhaka College of Engineering, near Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel, Rajkumar Circle, Sangam Circle in Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, near Bogadi Road to name a few.

With the rains receding, the hotels are slowly springing back to life and the customers have once again started frequenting these roadside eateries.

Three-day Mind & Sex conference begins

Mysuru, Aug.10 (PM&NNN)- Negative thoughts fill our minds all the time which leaves one with a feeling of dread. To overcome such negative thinking and have a healthy mind, one must try to reinforce the mind with as much positive thoughts as possible, said Indian Psychiatric Society President Dr. Mrugesh Vaishnav.

He was speaking at the three-day IPS National Midterm CME – 2019 on the theme 'Mind and Sex' organised by Department of Psychiatry, JSS Hospital at Sri Rajendra Centenary Auditorium, JSS Multispecialty Hospital, here this morning.

The scion of Mysore Royal Family Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar inaugurated the conference. Organising Secretary Dr. T.S.S. Rao introduced the topic and JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research Principal Dr. H. Basavanna Gowdappa welcomed. JSS Hospital Director (Col.) Dayan, Conference President Dr. Ajit Bide and others were present.

Apart from the seminars, the three-day conference also has a exhibition.

'Country still reels under social and economic imbalance'

Mysuru, Aug.10 (PM&US)- Dalit Sangharsha Samithi (DSS), Mysuru District had organised a seminar on 'Modi's Navabhratha – Yarige Banthu Swathanthra?' at Town Hall here this morning.

Inaugurating the programme former Rangayana Director H. Janardhan (Janni) regretted that revoking special status to Jammu and Kashmir under Article 370 was an unanimous decision of Modi-led government without seeking any opinion from the residents of that State. He warned that the whole country would face a repercussion of the decision to be borne by the people of the country.

Speaking on the occasion writer Shivasundar ridiculed that there is literally no Government in the State with no Cabinet formation. He said that it is pathetic especially when rain is battering all parts of the State. He further said that India and Modi have become synonyms literally and pointed out that governance cannot be a one-man-show. He contended that Modi's false promises has continued social and economic imbalance in the country.

Raitha Sangha President Badagalapura Nagendra, DSS State Convenor Guruprasad Keregodu others were present.

'Co-operative Banks should win the trust of depositors'

State-level workshop for heads of Co-operative Societies

Mysuru, Aug.10 (PM&US)- Karnataka State Co-operative Federation (KSCF), Karnataka State Credit Co-operative Societies Federation (KSCCSF), Mysuru District Co-operative Union (MDCU) and Department of Co-operation, together had organised a State-level Training Workshop for Presidents and CEOs of Co-operative Societies on 'Overall development of Credit Co-operative Societies' at a private hotel in city on Wednesday.

Inaugurating the workshop, KSCF President N. Ganganna opined that Co-operative sector was not just meant for making profit but should also strive for progress of the society by instilling trust among the depositors.

He pointed out that 42,000 Co-operative Societies and 4,200 Credit Co-operative Societies were functioning in the State involving 2.5 crore people in the Co-operative Movement and added that thousands of crores of rupees was being reaped as profit.

He suggested Co-operative Banks to promptly pay agreed interest to depositors and close the accounts whenever desired by the customers.

He pointed out that Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and Government would come to the rescue of losing Nationalised Banks but Co-operative Banks should function carefully with able Management and CEOs.

Continuing, Ganganna said that new rules like GST and amendments keep coming for Co-operative Societies which should be properly understood and implemented without giving room for any doubt.

He pointed out that Co-operative sector was doing a noble job helping the middle class and farming community.

KSCF Managing Director S.N. Arun Kumar delivered the keynote address and said that certain regulations imposed on Nationalised Banks may not be applicable to Co-operative Banks which appears beneficial but needs careful handling.

He asked Co-operative Banks not to open branches indiscriminately without a planned disciplined scheme.

KSCF Vice-President N. Chandrappa presided.

KSCCF Directors P.K. Jayakrishna, Chittaranjan Bolar, MDCU President H.V. Rajeev, Joint Registrar of Co-operative Societies B.R. Lingaraj, Deputy Registrar Dr. G. Umesh and others were present on the occasion.

MYMUL Presidential election postponed

Mysuru, Aug.10(SBD&DM)- The poll for electing the President of MYMUL (Mysore Milk Union Limited), which was scheduled for Friday (Aug.9) has been postponed due to lack of quorum.

The sudden postponement of the election has given rise to speculations that there was a political motive behind it.

The poll was scheduled to take place at 1pm on Friday with the Government nominated Director S.C. Ashok and another Director Mavinahalli Siddegowda contesting for the post.

The candidature of S.C. Ashok, a close relative of Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa, was proposed by MYMUL Director A.T. Somashekar. But as the countdown for the poll began, seven out of the 14 MYMUL Directors abstained following which the Returning Officer Umesh postponed the poll to Aug.14 citing lack of quorum. But the political slugfest over the postponement continued with one group of directors backing Mavinahalli Siddegowda, alleging that the Chief Minister himself has taken the initiative to postpone the election in order to install his (CM) close relative S.C. Ashok as the next MYMUL President.

Meanwhile CLP leader and former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has strongly criticised the postponement.

In a tweet, Siddharamaiah alleged that Chief Minister Yediyurappa seems to be intent on making his (BSY) relative Ashok as KMF Chairman.

Siddharamaiah also accused the CM of acting in haste for appointing Ashok as KMF Chairman, even as the State Cabinet expansion has failed to take place even after 15 days of BSY assuming office as the CM.

M.Tech in Tool Engineering

Mysuru, Aug. 10 - The Government Tool Room & Training Centre (GTTC) has invited applications for M.Tech in Tool Engineering course (2019-20). Those interested may contact Mob: 91416-29594 or visit GTTC, Plot No.93 and 94, Belagola Industrial Area, KRS Road, according to a press release from the Principal.

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Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Kurukshetra	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
Kempegowda-2	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Singga	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
HINDI			
Jabariya Jodi	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
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Wrong Relation	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Nerkonda Paarvai	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
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Kurukshetra (K-3D)	(S-1)	12.30 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-4)	2.30 pm, 6.15, 9.45 pm
Fast & Furious: Hobbs & Shaw (E)	(S-1)	4.10 pm
	(S-4)	11.40 am
The Lion King (E-3D)	(S-1)	7.00 pm
Dora & Lost City of Gold (E)	(S-2)	11.45 am
Kolaiyuthir Kaalam (Ta)	(S-2)	1.55 pm
Nerkonda Paarvai (Ta)	(S-2)	4.15 pm
Manmadhudu -2 (Te)	(S-2)	7.20 pm
Thaneer Mathan Dhinangal (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Super 30 (H)	(S-3)	1.00 pm
Kempegowda -2 (K)	(S-3)	4.05 pm
Jabariya Jodi (H)	(S-3)	7.00 pm, 9.55 pm

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Kurukshetra (K-3D)	(S-1)	8.30 am, 12.05 pm
		6.00 pm, 09.40 pm
Kurukshetra (K-2D)	(S-2)	3.25 pm
Bring The Soul: The Movie (Korean)	(S-1)	3.45 pm
Jabariya Jodi (H)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 9.55 pm
	(S-3)	3.50 pm
Kolaiyuthir Kaalam (Ta)	(S-2)	1.00 pm
Kempegowda - 2 (K)	(S-2)	7.00 pm
	(S-3)	10.05 am
Fast & Furious: Hobbs & Shaw (E)	(S-3)	1.00 pm, 6.50 pm
Manmadhudu -2 (Te)	(S-3)	9.40 pm
Nerkonda Paarvai (Ta)	(S-4)	10.15 am, 9.50 pm
Kalki (Ma)	(S-4)	1.30 pm
The Lion King (E)	(S-4)	4.25 pm
Thaneer Mathan Dhinangal (Ma)	(S-4)	7.00 pm

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Munitathna Kurukshetra (K-3D)	8.05 am, 11.45 am, 3.25 pm
	6.20 pm, 10.00 pm
Munitathna Kurukshetra (K)	9.30 pm
Fast & Furious: Hobbs & Shaw (E-3D)	9.15 am, 3.25 pm
Jabariya Jodi (H)	9.20 am, 3.35 pm, 9.50 pm
Dora & Lost City Of Gold (E)	10.40 am, 4.05 pm
Nerkonda Paarvai (Ta)	12.10 pm, 6.35 pm
Manmadhudu 2 (Te)	12.20 pm, 9.45 pm
Kempegowda 2 (K)	1.05 pm, 6.30 pm
The Lion King (E-3D)	7.05 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

WORLD elephant DAY on Aug.12

Mysuru, Aug.10- Elephants are the largest terrestrial animals on Earth, and they are one of the most unique-looking animals, too. With their characteristic long noses, or trunks; large, floppy ears; and wide, thick legs, there is no other animal with a similar physique.

There are mainly 2 species of elephants — African and Asian. There are only about 4,50,000 - 7,00,000 African elephants and between 35,000 - 40,000 wild Asian elephants left in world. India is home for about 27,312 elephants and Karnataka is having 6,049 elephants.

Escalating poaching or illegal killing, for the commercial trade in ivory and meat, increasing loss and fragmentation of natural habitats and rising conflict with humans over diminishing resources are the major causes for decrease in elephant population.

World Elephant Day is observed every year on Aug.12 to create awareness of urgent plight of African and Asian elephants and to share knowledge and positive management of captive and wild elephants. In this context, Mysuru Zoo is celebrating Elephant Day on Aug.12 by displaying attractive Information Boards and Facts Boards about elephants in front of the Elephant enclosure at Mysuru Zoo from 10.30 am to 5.30 pm. The general public may avail this opportunity while visiting Zoo, according to a press release from the Zoo Executive Director.

EVENTS TODAY (AUG.10)

Sadhana Mandira: Special Chanting Classes on Sri Lalitha Sahasranama Stotram by Sadhana Mandira's Acharya Swami Hamsananda, Vijayanagar 1st Stage - Sri Ramakrishna Krupa, # 435, 6th Main, **4 pm;** Srirampura 2nd Stage - Balamuri Vinayaka Temple, Near Naidu Stores, **5 pm;** Kuvempunagar - Sri Ramana Jnana Kendra, Near Apollo Hospital, **6 pm;** Agrahara - Sri Sringeri Shankar Math (Fort Mohalla), **7 pm;** Lakshmipuram - Sri Shivananda Jnanalaya, JLB Road, **8 pm.**

Kalasuruchi: Story-telling for kids by Diwakara Hegde, Programme Executive, Akashavani, Mysuru, Suruchi Rangamane, #476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm.**

Basava Jnana Mandira: Shravanamasa Pujanushtana and Vishwadharma Vachana Pravachana Programme, thinker J.B. Halesh speaks on 'Aydakki Lakkamma,' Mandira premises, Muneshwaranagar, Mysuru-Nanjangud Main Road, **5 pm to 7 pm.**

Raaga Music Academy, Mysuru: 5th anniversary celebrations, 'Raaga Sudha Rasa' - A grand music-discourse by **Vidu. Vishaka Hari,** accompanied by Vid. S. Vittalrangan on violin, Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata, Jaganmohan Palace auditorium, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: Dr. K. Srikantaiah Memorial Programme - Karnatak Classical Vocal by **Vid. K. Bharath Sundar,** accompanied by Vid. Dr. Nishanth Chandra on violin, Vid. Vinod Sham Anoor on mridanga and Vid. Sunad Anoor on khanjari, Sabha premises, Sangeetha Kalanidhi K.Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, Lakshmipuram, **6 pm.**

Suttur Mutt, Mysuru: Shravanamaasa, Mass prayers, **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Discourse on 'Raghavanka's Harischandra Kavya,' Vyaakhyaana by Dr. K. Anantharamu and Dr. B.V. Vasanthakumar, Vaachana by Gamaka Vidwan K. Ramachandra, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Yukteshanandaji speaks on 'Divine life of Sri Ramakrishna,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Krishna Gaana Sabha and Vijay Foundation, Mysuru: Spiritual talk by Swami Chidrupananda Saraswathi on 'Bhagavad Gita's Message for Day to Day Life,' Chaitanya Bhavan, Sri Krishna Temple, Gokulam III Stage, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama: Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha programmes by Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetha, Satsang, Discourse, **6.30 pm;** Kakada Aarti to Lord Dattatreya, Ashrama premises, Datta Nagar, Ooty Road, **8 pm.**

Sri Shaneshwara Bhakta Mandali: 42nd Shraavanamasa Mahotsava, 'Devara Keerthane' by V. Malini and troupe, Mysuru, Temple premises, 1st Cross, Pensioners' Block, Rajendranagar, **7 pm.**

Tarangam Trust, Mysuru and Kannada & Culture Department: Staging of play 'Kade Dina Kade Show' by Rangaasthe theatre troupe, Bengaluru, (inspired by Jayanth Kaikini's book 'Touring Talkies' - the play is theatrically adapted and directed by S. Srinidhi), Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

Sri Chamundeshwari and Sri Karumariyamma Temple Trust, Vidyaranyapuram: 89th Karaga Mahotsava, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (AUG.11)

Sadhana Mandira: Special Chanting Classes on Sri Lalitha Sahasranama Stotram by Sadhana Mandira's Acharya Swami Hamsananda, Brindavan Extension - Sadhana Mandira, 4th Cross, 1st Stage, **6.30 am;** Gokulam - Sri Krishna Temple, Chaitanya Bhavan, 6th Main, 4th Cross, **7.30 am;** Vijayanagar 3rd Stage - Saptamathruka Temple, **10.30 am;** N.R. Mohalla - Sri Prasanna Mahaganapathi Temple, **11.30 am;** V.V. Mohalla - Chandramoulishwara Temple, **12.30 pm;** Brindavan Extension - Sadhana Mandira, 4th Cross, 1st Stage, **3 pm;** Vijayanagar 1st Stage - Sri Ramakrishna Krupa, # 435, 6th Main, **4 pm;** Srirampura 2nd Stage - Balamuri Vinayaka Temple, Near Naidu Stores, **5 pm;** Kuvempunagar - Sri Ramana Jnana Kendra, Near Apollo Hospital, **6 pm;** Agrahara - Sri Sringeri Shankar Math (Fort Mohalla), **7 pm;** Lakshmipuram - Sri Shivananda Jnanalaya, JLB Road, **8 pm.**

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Sri Chamundeshwari and Sri Karumariyamma Temple Trust, Vidyaranyapuram: 89th Karaga Mahotsava, Temple premises, **8 am onwards.**

Shree Kaveri Kodagu Mahila Sangha, Mysuru: Free medical health camp, Neuro Surgeon Dr. Kanjithanda Bopaiah inaugurates, Sangha President Bollamma Kuttappa presides, Rotary Midtown Academy, Hootagalli, **10 am to 3 pm.**

Mysuru Jilla Gamaka Kala Parishat: Kavya Vyasanga Goshti - 25 (monthly programme), Kavya 'PuThiNa's Srihari Charite - Ullasa 25 - Pralambavadham' Vaachana by Vidu. Bhagyalakshmi, Mandya and Vyaakhyaana by Vidu. Shantha Gopal, Bengaluru, No.1315/2, 'Harpriya,' 3rd Cross Road, Krishnamurthypuram, **11 am to 1 pm.**

Art Expo: Artist U.G. Mohan Kumar Aradhya's painting expo 'Freedom Fighters' as part of 73rd Independence Day celebrations, District Freedom Fighters Association President Dr. M.G. Krishnamurthy inaugurates, ex-serviceman P.K. Biddappa presides, Mukthaka poet M. Muttuswamy chief guest, Suchitra Art Gallery, Kalamandira premises, **11 am.**

Basava Jnana Mandira: Shravanamasa Pujanushtana and Vishwadharma Vachana Pravachana Programme, writer Nagarle Shivakumar talks on 'Yadiyuru Siddalingeshwara, Mandira premises, Muneshwaranagar, Mysuru-Nanjangud Main Road, **5 pm to 7 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Felicitation to violinist Vid. Mysore M. Nagaraj on completing 50 years of professional life, Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Vid. R.K. Padmanabha chief guest, Dr. C.G. Narasimhan presides; Music programme — Vid. Mysore M. Nagaraj - violin, Vid. Dr. Mysore M. Manjunath - violin, Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar - mridanga, Vid. Arjun Kumar - mridanga and Vid. Giridhar Udupa - ghata, Ganabharathi, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

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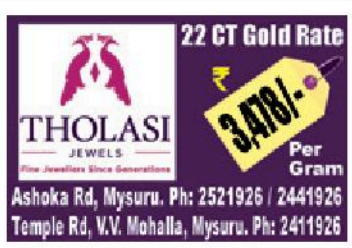
Innovative Mysuru and Department of Kannada and Culture: 'Yaksha Sambhrama,' Chamarajanagar industrialist G.M. Hegde inaugurates, Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Chennappa chief guest, Parthisubba Awardee and Yakshagana thinker G.S. Bhatta presides; Yakshagana 'Hidimba Vivaha,' Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6 pm.**

Natana School of Theatre Arts: Staging of play '*Dhaam Dhoom Suntaragaali,*' School premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Shaneshwara Bhakta Mandali: 42nd Shraavanamasa Mahotsava, Yakshagana 'Taamra Dhwaja Kalaga' by Karavali Yakshagana Kendra, Mysuru, Temple premises, 1st Cross, Pensioners' Block, Rajendranagar, **7 pm.**



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